



2008 American Eagle Platinum Uncirculated Coins Now Available

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Final Coin in Three-Year Series Honors Judicial Branch of United States Government

WASHINGTON — The United States Mint began accepting orders for the 2008 American Eagle Platinum Uncirculated Coins on July 1, at 12:00 noon (ET). There is no household limit for these options.

The 2008 coin's reverse features the final design in the three-year series entitled, "The Foundations of American Democracy." This final design honors the Judicial branch of the United States Government. The image depicts a rendition of Lady Justice, a classic symbol dating back to the ancient Greeks and Romans. The scales, suspended from a finger of her right hand, represent the delicate balance of the law. A sword, held in her left hand, represents the power of reason, which can be wielded in either direction. The bald eagle—our Nation's symbol of courage and freedom—casts a watchful eye over our solid foundation of democracy.

The coin's reverse was sculpted by United States Mint Artistic Infusion Program Master Designer Joel Iskowitz and engraved by United States Mint Sculptor-Engraver Charles Vickers.

The obverse of the 2008 American Eagle Platinum Uncirculated Coins, designed and engraved by United States Mint Sculptor-Engraver John Mercanti, bears the image of Lady Liberty who has graced the coins since their introduction in 1986.

The American Eagle Uncirculated Coins—struck on specially burnished blanks—have the same finish as their bullion counterparts, but they bear a "W" mint mark indicating their production at the United States Mint at West Point. Each coin, minted in 99.95 percent pure platinum, is encapsulated in plastic and mounted in a satin-lined velvet presentation case. A Certificate of Authenticity is included.

Prices are set as follows: the one-ounce American Eagle Platinum Uncirculated Coin, \$2,349.95; the 1/2-ounce coin, \$1,199.95; the 1/4-ounce coin, \$619.95; the 1/10-ounce coin, \$259.95; and the four-coin platinum uncirculated set, \$4,289.95.

Orders for the 2008 American Eagle Platinum Uncirculated Coins will be accepted at the United States Mint's secure Web site at www.usmint.gov. Those who wish to order by telephone may call 1-800-USA-MINT (872-6468). Hearing- and speech-impaired customers with TTY equipment may order by calling 1-888-321-MINT (6468).

To view and download a digital image of the 2008 American Eagle Platinum Uncirculated Coins please visit:

<http://www.usmint.gov/pressroom/index.cfm?action=Photo#2008AEPlatUnc>

Note: To ensure that all members of the public have fair and equal access to United States Mint products, any order placed prior to the official on-sale date and time (July 1, 2008, 12:00 Noon ET) shall not be deemed accepted by the United States Mint and will not be honored.

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